

The above amendment to the claims merely deletes the improper multiple dependencies and places the application into better form prior to examination.

Enclosed herewith in full compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 is a Sequence Listing to be inserted into the specification as indicated above. The Sequence Listing in no way introduces new matter into the specification. Also submitted herewith in full compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 is a computer disk containing the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing. The computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, file "0147-193.txt", is identical to the paper copy, except that it lacks formatting.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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